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want the support of this House and it is our desire to take the views of both the Houses of Legislature. We are going to meet in December and from now to December, there is plenty of time for a communication or direction from the Government of India asking us for our opinion. The Working Committee has made its report to the Government of India and it is not in the nature of a direction to us. I can give this assurance to the House that we shall certainly consult the House when the matter is ripe enough for discussion."

DR. V. K. JOHN :—" My only anxiety is that before any definite decision is taken by the Government, this House should have an opportunity of expressing its views."

MR. PRESIDENT :—" They must make some proposals and put them up before the House for its discussion."

DR. V. K. JOHN :—" Before they finally make up their mind on any proposal, let us have an opportunity to discuss the proposals so that we may express our views."

THE HON. DR. T. S. S. RAJAN :—" I should think they must be forwarding to us some proposals so that we put them up before the House and take its opinion; what is the use of a discussion without any proposals being placed before it?"

DR. V. K. JOHN :—" If that is done, I shall be satisfied."

The motion was not therefore moved.

III.—MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.

11-45 a.m. MR. PRESIDENT :—" I have to announce to the House the following message received from the Hon. Speaker of the Madras Legislative Assembly, dated 15th November 1949 :—

'I am to inform you that the report of the Joint Select Committee on the Madras Buildings (Lease and Rent Control) Amendment Bill, 1948 (L.A. Bill No. 24 of 1948), was presented to the Legislative Assembly on the 15th November 1949, but the Bill was not further proceeded with as the Madras Buildings (Lease and Rent Control) Act, 1946, to which it relates ceased to be in force since 1st October 1948'."

IV.—(1) ELECTION OF ONE MEMBER FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCI TO THE SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

MR. PRESIDENT :—" I have to announce to the House that Sri S. B. Adityan, M.L.C., is the only candidate duly nominated for a seat in the Advisory Committee of the South Indian Railway. I hereby declare him duly elected."

(2) ELECTION OF SIX MEMBERS TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE.

MR. PRESIDENT :—" I have to announce to the House that the following candidates were nominated for election to the House Committee :—

(1) Dr. Syed Tajuddin.
(2) Sri H. M. Jagannatham.
(3) Dr. P. S. Srinivasan.